

Changes to City Council Meetings, Agenda Process

Ordinance to Reduce Number of Council Meetings

n September, the Fremont City Council Meeting schedule changed from four meetings per month to three meetings per month. As a result, the City Council agenda will no longer be published on the third Friday of each month. The Fremont City Council adopted Ordinance No. 09-2011 at its July 12 regularly scheduled Council meeting; this Ordinance amended Fremont Municipal Code, Sections 2-1100 and 2-1101.1 to adopt this new permanent schedule.

The Fremont City Council will hold meetings on the first, second, and third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Any additional necessary meetings will be held with proper prior noticing. This change will eliminate work sessions that used to be held once a month to discuss in-depth issues in a more informal setting. Now, when such in-depth discussions are necessary, they will be part of the regularly scheduled City Council meeting unless that is not possible and a special meeting must be scheduled.

New Paperless Council Agenda Process

The use of technology is driving efficiencies throughout the City organization while continuing to promote citizen engagement and transparency. One such efficiency is the City's new paperless Council Agenda process. As a result, the way in which you view Council agendas, minutes, and webcasts on the City's website has changed.

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Resolve to be Ready in 2012

Keeping New Year's resolutions can be hard, but emergency preparedness is one resolution that can be easy to keep. Follow three simple steps suggested by the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Ready Campaign:

- 1. Make a Family Emergency Plan
- 2. Get an Emergency Supply Kit
- **3. Be Informed** about the different types of emergencies that could occur in your area and their appropriate responses.

For more information on how to prepare your family, home, and business for all types of emergencies, go to Ready.gov or call (800) BE-READY or TTY (800) 462-7585. Also, learn more about the City's Personal Emergency Preparedness (PEP) class at Fremont.gov/PEP.



Letter from Your City Manager

Ve ended last fiscal year as anticipated and without any surprises—with the exception of the Solyndra closure. This was certainly disappointing and a huge loss for our city. Our hearts go out to the 1,100 Solyndra employees who lost their jobs. The City's Economic Development staff is working diligently with the Alameda County Workforce Investment Board to help find jobs for these employees.

The City is committed to supporting Green Technology as part of our multi-pronged strategy for economic vitality. Fremont remains the home of emerging technology. We have access to a talented workforce as well as competitive leasing rates. We will continue our efforts to position Fremont as cutting edge within the cleantech industry sector.

We are also positioning the City on a path to fiscal sustainability. While slow signs of recovery are materializing, we are continuing to implement sustainability strategies within the City organization. Through successful labor negotiations this past spring and summer, all City employees have agreed to concessions and a more cost-effective second-tier retirement plan. These actions have made a significant difference, and the City Council and I want to acknowledge our employees for their contributions. Overall, our fiscal sustainability plan is working, and we expect to have a structurally balanced budget next year—one year earlier than anticipated when the plan was adopted. Having said that, we continue to have significant unmet needs and funding challenges, not the least of which is finding sufficient resources to maintain our streets and parks.

I continue to be confident we will meet the challenges ahead of us. We are an organization that lives within its means. The Council has consistently shown fiscal discipline, setting aside money when times were good, and using those resources when the economy falters. We have had to use that same discipline to determine what services we can deliver. And while we've made some hard choices, we continue to invest in our organization and

> our community. I am proud of the City's resilience in making it through tough times.



Did You Know?

Have You Installed **Your Carbon** Monoxide

Alarm?

s of July, homes in California are required to have a carbon

monoxide alarm (CO

alarm). How do you know if this applies to you? If you have an attached garage or gas burning appliances in your home, you need to install such an alarm.

Carbon monoxide alarms detect the presence of deadly carbon monoxide gas in your home or garage. Carbon monoxide is especially dangerous because it is colorless and odorless. Anyone can be poisoned by this deadly gas if appliances are installed incorrectly and the exhaust from them doesn't leave the house the way it is supposed to. The only way to detect this gas is with an approved carbon monoxide alarm.

When you get a permit for any kind of remodeling work on your home, the building inspector will check to make sure that you have CO alarms installed in your home. For more information about CO alarm requirements in the City of Fremont, go to Fremont.gov/COAlarms.

City of Fremont

The City Council meets the first, second, and third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 3300 Capitol Ave.

Meetings are broadcast over Cable TV Channel 27 or webcast online at Fremont.gov/Webcasts.

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City Addresses Budget Deficit

The City of Fremont has conducted a Strategic Sustainability Study. The purpose of the study was to identify ways for the City to reduce costs and increase revenue to deal with our increasing budget gap.

In July, the City Council received the completed study and instructed staff to conduct more analysis on each of the suggested recommendations in the study. The study proposed several approaches to deal with the City's budget, including changes in service delivery; compensation changes; expenditure controls and shifts; and new or increased revenue streams. At its Oct. 4 City Council meeting,

the Council adopted an Action Plan that included implementation steps and more detailed timeframes. The Action Plan also recommended implementing a range of items, from consolidating the Police Department Information Technologies Division into the City's Information Technology Services Department to outsourcing landscaping and park maintenance.

The City of Fremont has been affected by the serious economic recession as have most other cities and has taken steps to reduce costs. Such reductions include discontinuing tree maintenance street trees adjacent to private property and making better use of technology to save costs and improve efficiencies. Even so, costs continue to outpace revenues at a significant level. Employee concessions and citywide cost reductions have greatly contributed to reducing a deficit of \$8 million that existed for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, which runs from July 1, 2011, to June 30, 2012. The Action Plan will play a significant role in reducing future budget deficits in coming years.

For more information regarding the details of the Strategic Sustainability Study and the subsequent Action Plan, go to Fremont.gov/CouncilAgenda and view agendas, minutes, and webcasts related to the July 28 and Oct. 4 City Council meeting.

Connect with Us!

The City of Fremont has launched a Social Media Pilot Program as another avenue for public participation and collaboration. Connect with us on any of the following social networking sites.

Find Us on Facebook:

City of Fremont
Aqua Adventure Waterpark Fremont
Fremont Economic Development
Fremont Family Resource Center
Fremont Police Department

Follow Us on Twitter:

@Fremont_CA
@FremontPD

Watch Us on YouTube:

YouTube.com/CityofFremont



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494-4300

Transportation Engineering traffic@fremont.gov 494-4745

Our Community



The Interactive Public Art Map shows the specific locations of public art throughout Fremont. Click on a marker, and a page pops up with complete details.

Go to Fremont.gov/ArtMap.

New Interactive Map for Art in Fremont's Public Places

re you familiar with the wealth of art in public places in Fremont? This art comes in many forms—from a City-owned piece, "Wall of Honor" by Jaap Bongers, an engraved black granite and cast bronze honoring deceased Fremont Police officers, located in the lobby of the police station, to privately owned pieces such as Aristides Demetrios' "Acrobats", bronze figures found throughout Pacific Commons Shopping Center, and interesting works such as Jerome Kirk's large scale abstract mobile "Solar Semaphore" (at left), to several works by Beniamino B. Bufano including "Bear and Cubs" at Kaiser Permanente Medical Center.

The City and the Fremont Cultural Arts Council have teamed up to develop an interactive online map, providing a virtual tour of more than 40 pieces of art located throughout the city. The map is divided into the Community Plans Areas as discussed in the General Plan, and shows the specific location of each piece. You need only click on each marker on the map to view an image of the piece with interesting information about the artwork and the artist. Go to Fremont.gov/ArtMap and see one more reason why Fremont is a great community to live, work, play, and shop!

Paperless Agenda Process

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The agenda automation software enables us to replace paper-based, time consuming, and redundant processes while saving true dollars associated with producing the hardcopy agenda. Not only is this more efficient for the City while providing cost savings, it is also consistent with our "green" initiatives.

The City previously produced 100 printed copies of the agenda for each City Council meeting with an average of 45 pages for approximately 175,500 pieces of paper in a year. That means it took approximately 21 trees¹ to produce the agenda each year. The City estimates the cost of the manual agenda process (including printing costs and labor hours) at roughly \$59,000 per year. The one-time cost to implement the agenda automation system was \$16,000 with on-going annual hosting and support costs of approximately \$16,000.

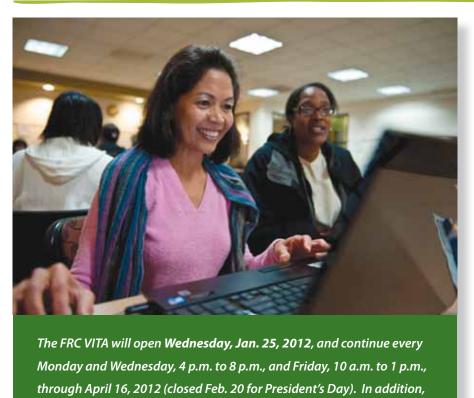
¹ Source: www.Conservatree.org

To view the City Council Agendas, go to Fremont.gov/CouncilAgenda.

You may also sign up to be notified when the agendas are published at Fremont.gov/AgendaNotify.

In addition, the use of electronic tablets at the City Council meetings enables the City to go paperless and achieve more significant cost savings.

The one-time cost to acquire the tablets for the Council, including warranty and essential accessories and software was approximately \$4,500, and the ongoing data plan cost will be approximately \$2,000 annually. Not only does this new automated process equate to significant annual savings for the City—over \$40,000 annually—it is more efficient and promotes easier access by the Community.



FRC VITA will open for two extra days in 2012: Thursdays, Feb. 2 and 9,

VITA

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, 10 Years Helping Fremont Families

he Fremont Family Resource Center (FRC) VITA will begin its 10th year with the 2012 Tax Season. The FRC VITA site is one of many sites throughout Alameda County and is a part of the "Earn It! Keep It! Save It!" Campaign coordinated by the United Way of the Bay Area. Since 2002, FRC VITA has served over 9,000 taxpayers, returning over \$15 million in refunds. Qualified families and individuals making \$50,000 or less are eligible for free tax preparation at the FRC VITA and then e-filing for free.

Come to the Fremont FRC, located at 39155 Liberty St. and have your income taxes prepared for free.

For more information, call the City's Carolyn Robertson at 574-2020 or go to Fremont.gov/FamilyEconomicSuccess.

Winter Day Camps

from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Jingling Their Way to a Location Near You

Winter School Break is right around the corner Dec. 22 through Jan. 4, 2012. What are you going to do with your kids ages 4 to 14? Whether you just need an option for a few hours a day to help keep your little ones busy while you shop or prepare for the upcoming holidays, or if you need a full day option, the City's Recreation Services Division has got you covered. From Academic Camps to Just for Fun Camps and everything in between, there is something for everyone. Camps held at Central Park have the option for both extended morning care (8 a.m. to 9 a.m.) and afternoon care (3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.). Some camps start Dec. 19, so take a peak and don't let this merry moment pass you by.

For more information, go to Fremont.gov/DayCamps or call the Recreation Services at 494-4300.



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BART in Fremont and Beyond

Warm Springs Extension

The Warm Springs Extension Project has made significant progress in the past year and is on target in its journey south. The Warm Springs Extension will extend the existing BART line south by adding 5.4 miles of new track from the Fremont Station to a new station in Warm Springs.

The project is divided into two distinct contracts: The Subway contract and the Line, Track, Station and Systems (LTSS) contract. The subway portion is about 75 percent complete and preliminary work on the LTSS contract began in November. A significant challenge for the project has been its work in Central Park and under and around Lake Elizabeth. When construction began, the project relocated several park facilities in order to make construction space available, and built a new dog park to replace the old dog park that ran along the alignment.

Regular park users will appreciate that the work to build the subway box under the lake was recently completed. Spring 2012 should see the water levels in the eastern lobe of the lake restored and the pathways returned to their original state. Aside from work in the park, residents living near the Fremont BART Station have witnessed subway construction from Walnut Avenue across Stevenson Boulevard to Central Park.

What's next for the project?

While the first stage of the project built the subway portion, the next phase will build the trackway, station, and other



Subway box under Lake Elizabeth.



Workers forming and pouring concrete for new storm drainage on private property.

infrastructure mostly at grade level. This work will also include demolition of several structures along Warm Springs Boulevard and Warm Springs Court near the new station area. BART riders can expect service to the yet-to-be-named station in Warm Springs in late 2015.

For more information or to address a community concern, call 791-9861 or visit the BART Community Relations office at 1320 Stevenson Blvd. in Central Park. You can also find project information and updates posted on the BART website at BART.gov/WSX.

BART Silicon Valley Field Activities

ver the past few months several corridor preparation projects have been executed. Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority's contractor is working near Warren Avenue in Fremont to rebuild Agua Fria Creek and associated storm drains in advance of the Mission/Warren Area Improvements Project. VTA's contractor is constructing

several large concrete culverts to improve creek capacity and decrease chances of flooding in the local area. One unique box being constructed will connect with an unfinished creek box constructed by Caltrans in 2009 as part of the Interstate 880 Mission/Warren Interchange Project. Work is being coordinated with the City of Fremont, Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR), and neighboring businesses. Making improvements to the creeks now will assist VTA's next contractor who will proceed with building the Warren Avenue Grade Separation, allowing for future BART trains to pass over a depressed Warren Avenue

Kato Grade Separation work began in October, which marked the start of 2.5 years of ongoing construction in southern Fremont. Kato Road will be depressed underneath the UPRR and future BART tracks providing for safer vehicle travel and protected pedestrian access under both sets of tracks. A public meeting was held in late September allowing residents and concerned citizens to speak with project staff about planned road closures and construction work.

In September, VTA advertised a Berryessa Extension Project construction contract to address the water, storm, and sewer utility relocation at Piper Drive in Milpitas. The contract work will relocate existing water and sewer utilities, including a large water pipeline that must be custom fabricated. In November, the VTA Board of Directors awarded the contract in the amount of nearly \$2.2 million. Construction is expected to begin in January 2012 with completion sometime in June 2012.



12x7 Agua Fria Creek culvert to connect with Caltrans creek box.



Stretching our Dollars to Save our City's Streets

Measure B Funding Continues to Help Pave the Way

easure B, Alameda County's half-cent transportation sales tax, was approved by voters in November 2000 and provides revenues for transportation improvements throughout Alameda County. Thanks in part to your Measure B tax dollars, the City of Fremont is able to continue working toward repairing and maintaining City streets and has successfully completed two major street maintenance projects in 2011.

City of Fremont 2011 Pavement Projects

The 2010 Asphalt Overlay (delayed from last fall due to cool weather) was completed in July. The project rehabilitated 11 major street segments located throughout the city including portions of Auto Mall Parkway, Mowry Avenue, Paseo Padre Parkway, Stevenson Boulevard, and Thornton Avenue.

The 2011 Asphalt Overlay rehabilitated Mission Boulevard from Pine Street to Grimmer Boulevard and Paseo Padre Parkway from Mowry Avenue to Stevenson Boulevard.

A Long Road Ahead

The construction completed this past year addresses only a fraction of the work needed on the City's 493 miles of streets. With the help of funding through programs such as the Measure B Transportation Sales Tax, the City will continue to do everything possible to improve our streets; however, significant new funding sources are needed to stop the decline in pavement conditions on Fremont streets.

Fremont Unified School District

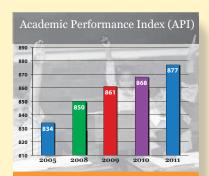
The City is proud to introduce a new feature to City News highlighting FUSD's programs in our community. Enjoy!

Offices 4210 Technology Drive, Fremont, CA 94538 Phone 657-2350



Fremont Schools Soaring to Success

Students in the Fremont Unified School District consistently perform at high levels. In 2011, the District's Academic Performance Score (API) is 877, well above the State of California goal of 800. These high scores on State tests only tell part of the story of FUSD's successful students and schools.



Hard work ... high scores

Other indicators, such as high graduation rates and student attendance, as well as college and career preparedness, demonstrate the results of the hard work of Fremont students, teachers, staff, and parents!



Students from American High School recycle their waste.

Leaders in Recycling

FUSD and the City of Fremont have worked together as leaders in recycling and waste reduction for over a decade. This past April, FUSD was recognized as the Bay Area Schools Environmental Conference's Green Star School District. Last year, FUSD diverted almost 45 percent of its waste from the landfills. All schools have programs in place to recycle office paper, newspaper, cardboard, cans, and bottles. In addition, schools recycle wood waste, electronics, tires, textbooks, lamps, batteries, used motor oil, paints, and construction and demolition debris. A concerted effort is made to reduce waste and not purchase materials that are harmful to the environment.

FUSD's Board of Education took a strong leadership role last year with its decision to eliminate the purchase of Styrofoam™ lunch trays. Styrofoam™, or polystyrene, is a petroleum-based material that can take centuries to decompose in a landfill. The environmentally-friendly paper trays currently in use can be recycled along

with the food waste. Potentially, each school can reduce its garbage by 50 percent or more, resulting in long-term environmental and cost benefits.

American, Irvington, Kennedy, and Washington high schools started food waste recycling programs over a year ago. Their cafeteria staff started separating food waste from garbage. Last year, Brier Elementary and Mattos Elementary went a step further and had students separate their food waste and recyclables from garbage. Changing habits in children at a young age leaves an impact that lasts a lifetime. All these efforts are led by student leaders, dedicated teachers, custodians, and principals.

This year, Centerville Junior High, Chadbourne Elementary, and Oliveira Elementary have started the food waste recycling program.

For more information about this project, contact FUSD Recycling Coordinator Roopal Mayor at rmayor@fremont.k12.ca.us.

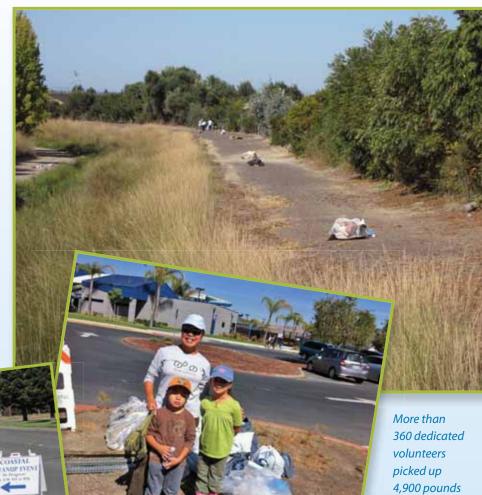
The current food waste recycling program at FUSD schools is subsidized largely by the City of Fremont.

Email environment@fremont.gov

Phone 494-4570

Volunteers Help Make Coastal Cleanup Day a Successful Event

The City's Environmental Services Division would like to thank all the volunteers who participated in this year's Coastal Cleanup Day event. Throughout the day, more than 360 dedicated volunteers picked up 4,900 pounds of trash and debris from Fremont's creeks and streets. By participating in Coastal Cleanup Day, volunteers prevented debris and trash from littering Fremont's creeks, streets, and ultimately the San Francisco Bay.



Energy Upgrade Workshop

s your home uncomfortably cold in the winter or too warm in the summer? Are your utility bills too high? If so, attend a Tri-City Homeowner Workshop hosted by the City of Fremont. You will learn about incentives, rebates, and technical assistance to make your home more energy efficient, including learning how to install solar panels.

Representatives from Energy Upgrade California—an energy efficiency program co-sponsored by the City of Fremont that saves homeowners money by reducing energy use—will describe how to qualify for incentives up to \$4,000.

Attendees will also learn about SmartSolar, a nonprofit program funded by PG&E that offers free, independent energy efficiency and solar project advising.

of trash and debris from Fremont's creeks and streets.

The workshop will be held on Jan. 18, 2012, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the City's Development Services Center, located at 39550 Liberty St. in the Niles Room.

For additional information, go to EnergyUpGradeCA.org and Ebenergy.org/SmartSolar.

Email environment@fremont.gov

Phone 494-4570

Season's Green-ing

The holidays are a time of giving, receiving, and increased garbage headed to the landfill. The Environmental Protection Agency estimates that household waste increases by 25 percent during the holiday season. Added food waste, shopping bags, ribbons, and packaging all add to increased waste.

Let's work together to green this holiday season by minimizing waste.

Consider following these simple steps:

- When shopping bring your own bag. Consolidate purchases in one bag rather than getting a new bag at each store.
- Reuse gift boxes or repurpose other boxes around the house like cereal boxes when wrapping gifts.
- Wrap gifts in old newspapers, magazine covers, old maps, or kid's art work and recycle paper after presents are opened.
- When buying electronic toys purchase rechargeable batteries to go with them. Take old batteries to the Fremont Household Hazardous Waste Facility, located at 41149 Boyce Rd.
- Compost food waste. When landfilled, food scraps take up much needed space and produce methane, a powerful greenhouse gas that contributes to climate change. When placed in your green bin, however, they are sent to a compost facility. The resulting compost returns nutrients to the soil, reducing the need for petroleum-based fertilizers.
- Compost your Christmas tree (see Christmas Tree Composting at right).
- Send e-greetings to family and friends in lieu of a card; this will save time and paper.
- When purchasing gifts to send by mail, pick items that don't require excess packaging to reduce unnecessary waste.

Green Business Awards

At the Oct. 4 Fremont City Council meeting, seven businesses were recognized for achieving their Bay Area Green Business certification and demonstrating their commitment to the environment:

- American Natural & Organic Spices
- Bay Central Printing
- Del Conte's Landscaping
- Delta Products Corporation
- Green Leaf Cleaners
- Instor Solutions
- Maid to Order

The Green Business Program promotes small businesses that conserve natural resources, reduce waste, and prevent pollution. The benefits of becoming a certified Green Business include:

- Lower operating costs by reducing waste and conserving energy.
- Improved public image as leaders and community-friendly businesses.
- Publicity from promotional activities and free technical assistance.



Consider patronizing local Certified Green Businesses to conserve natural resources and help meet our climate change goals.

Additional Green Businesses in Fremont include:

Best Graphic Image

Club Sport

dFares

DSL Printing

EXP Pharmaceutical Services Corp.

Fremont Marriott Silicon Valley

Glenmoor Auto Repair

Kate's Caring Gifts
Mission Valley Holiday Cleaners

Patriot Memory

REI

Satellite Housing - Fremont Oak Gardens

TGIF Body Shop

Write Place

For information on becoming a Green Business, contact Environmental Specialist Lori Marra at lmarra@fremont.gov or 494-4581.

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Coupon for Boy Scout Pickup (cut along dotted line)	Nearest Cross Street:
Please include all information requested on the coupon.	Phone:
Mail coupon to: BSA Holiday Trees, Mike Whittaker, 2356 Night Shade Lane, Fremont, CA 94539	Location of Tree:
Name:	
Address:	Make check or money order payable to:
Apt. No (if applicable)	Boy Scouts of America and mark the following: □ \$5 recyclable tree or □ \$10 non-recyclable tree

Christmas Tree Composting

ach year Fremont residents buy thousands of Christmas trees that could end up in landfills if they are not properly composted. You can reduce the environmental impact of the holiday season by purchasing and then planting a live tree, using an artificial (reusable) tree, or having Allied Waste pick up your tree at the curb (if you have curbside service) to be composted. Cut, live trees are compostable if they are free of all decorations, tinsel, nails, and tree stands (including the wooden kind, nailed to the bottom of the trunk). Any tree that is flocked, contains fire retardant, decorations, or tinsel cannot be composted and will be disposed of in the landfill. There are three different ways you can compost your cut tree in Fremont:

1. Allied Waste Curbside Pickup Service

Who: Fremont residents who have curbside yardwaste, recycling, and garbage service with Allied Waste.

When: Jan. 2 to Jan. 13, 2012, on your scheduled collection day.

Cost: There is no extra charge for this service.

How: No need to call to request this service — just leave your tree out using one of the following methods:

A. Green Organics Bin

- Cut compostable tree so pieces fit loosely in your organics bin with the lid closed.
- Place the bin at the curb on your scheduled collection day.

B. Gutter

- If your tree is less than 6 feet in length, place the whole tree in the gutter on your collection day.
- If your tree is over 6 feet in length, cut the tree in half and place both halves in the gutter on your collection day.
- Make sure your tree is in the gutter, not on the sidewalk.
- Make sure your tree is free of all decorations when placed in the gutter; this helps keep our storm drains litter free.
- **C. Garbage Bin** (Please use this only as the last option. Compost your tree first, if possible.)
- For a non-compostable tree, please cut it up so pieces fit loosely in your garbage bin with the lid closed.
- Place the bin at the curb on your scheduled collection day.

2. Drop off at Allied Waste Customer Service Center

Who: All Fremont residents (whether you have curbside service or not).

When: Dec. 26, 2011 to Jan. 31, 2012 (Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

Cost: Compostable trees may be dropped off for free; there is a \$5 charge to drop off a non-compostable tree.

How: Take your Christmas tree to the Allied Waste Customer Service Center located at 42600 Boyce Rd. in Fremont.

If you have any questions regarding pick-up or drop-off service, call Allied Waste at 657-3500.

3. Boy Scouts of America Pickup Service

Who: All Fremont residents.

When: Jan. 7, 2012

Cost: \$5 for compostable trees, \$10 for non-compostable trees.

How: Please make arrangements (see information above) with the Boy Scouts to have your tree picked up outside your residence (apartments included). All pick-up orders must be placed by

Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2012, using one of the following methods:

A. Mail in the coupon at top

B. Call the City's Environmental Services

hotline to leave a phone registration message at 494-4580. The recorded message will prompt you for the necessary information. If you choose to have the Boy Scouts pick up your tree, please do not place it anywhere near the gutter or on the sidewalk. Instead, place your tree on your lawn, driveway, or other designated outdoor area (visible from the street) that you arrange with the Boy Scouts.

Christmas Tree Composting information is also available at Fremont.gov/Environment.



Postal Customer







